

**REMARKS**

Claim 14 is pending in this application. Claims 1-13, 15, and 16 have been canceled.

**Comments Regarding Interview**

The Examiner is thanked for conducting the interview on July 21, 2004. It is believed that as a result of the interview, the client's representative and the Examiner has a better understanding of each others position. In particular, Applicants thank the Examiner for the reconsideration given to the rejection of claim 14.

**Allowable Claim**

The Advisory Action of September 13, 2004 indicated that claim 14 would be allowable if re-written into independent form. Based on this indication, claim 14 has been re-written into independent form including all limitations of former claim 1. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully solicit an early indication of allowance of claim 14

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above amendments and remarks, allowance of claim 14 is respectfully requested.

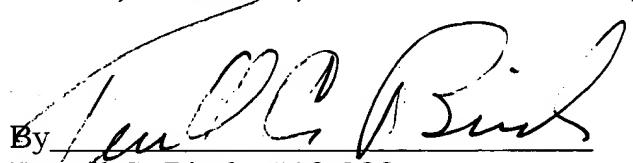
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Robert W. Downs (Reg. No. 48,222) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicants respectfully petition for a three (3) month extension of time for filing a reply in connection with the present application, and the required fee of \$980.00 is attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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